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SUBJ: CODEL HARTKE: PRESIDENT SENGHOR GIVES VIEWS

ON MID EAST AND ACTION AGAINST ISRAEL IN UNESCO

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DEPT PASS MID EAST POSTS AS APPROPRIATE

1. AT PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S RECEPTION FOR MEMBERS OF NEW DEVELOPMENT-ORIENTED CLUB OF DAKAR, SENEGALESE CHIEF OF STATE TOLD SEN. HARTKE HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT ARAB EXCESSES SHOWN IN RECENT UNESCO VOTE ON PALESTINE MONUMENTS ISSUE. GOS HAD OFFERED SEVERAL AMENDMENTS TO ARAB RESOLUTION, BUT WHEN THESE WERE NOT ACCEPTED, SENEGAL ABSTAINED WITH MAJORITY AFRICAN STATES.

2. SENGHOR SAID HE WOULD STOP IN RABAT ENROUTE TO PARIS THIS WEEK AND CONSULT WITH KING HASSAN ON MEANS MODERATING CURRENT ARAB POSITION TOWARD ISRAEL WHICH HE CONSIDERS EXTREME. SENGHOR REITERATED HIS BELIEF THAT SOLUTION TO ME PROBLEM WOULD INVOLVE CREATION PALESTINIAN STATE OUT OF JORDAN'S WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP. WHEN SEN HARTKE INDICATED QUESTION OF GAZA MIGHT BE STUMBLING BLOCK, SENGHOR SAID PROBLEM WAS ONE OF GETTING NEGOTIATIONS GOING AGAIN; THEN SOLUTIONS TO VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF DISAGREEMENT
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MIGHT BE FOUND. SEN HARTKE PRAISED SENGHOR'S EFFORTS IN

BEHALF ME PEACE AND INDICIATED THAT DURING HIS OWN MISSION TO EGYPT AND ISRAEL IN 1972, WHEN HE SAW LEADERS OF BOTH STATES, WHAT STRUCK HIM WAS INTENSITY OF DISTRUST AND LACK OF CONFIDENCE ON BOTH SIDES. SENGHOR REPLIED THAT IT WAS FOR THIS REASON, THAT, ONCE GENEVA TALKS RESUMED, HE WOULD SPONSOR SEMINAR BETWEEN ARAB AND ISRAELI INTELLECTUALS IN DAKAR.

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